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Stupak Named to Special Ethics Panel

WASHINGTON— House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi (D-CA) has named Congressman Bart Stupak to the small pool of congressional members who may be called on to investigate potential ethics violations of other members of the U.S. House of Representatives.


Stupak will join four other Democrats and five Republicans as part of the select group that may be chosen to assist the House Committee on Standards of Official Conduct investigating ethical misconduct complaints against House members.

“Bart Stupak is a person of great integrity who is able to work well with members on both sides of the aisle,” Pelosi said in announcing the appointment. “His sense of justice, fairness and bi-partisanship, and his legal background make him an excellent choice for the investigative pool.”

A Michigan attorney, Stupak is also a former Michigan State Police Trooper whose responsibilities including conducting investigations of public officials. He also has served on the House Energy and Commerce Committee’s Oversight and Investigations Subcommittee where he investigated recent scandals including the collapse of Enron, the Ford/Firestone tire investigation, the Imclone/Martha Stewart stock sale, and security lapses at the Department of Energy’s nuclear labs.

“I accept this appointment with pride in the trust that has been placed in my discretion and judgment, but with a sober understanding of the tremendous responsibility I have been given,” Stupak said. “I believe the leaders of both parties respect my ability to work impartially under difficult circumstances, and I will work to justify their trust.”

Rep. Stupak questions a witness at the Enron hearings.



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